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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

In the Matter of

NEISY LARA

Licensed to Practice Dental Hygiene in the State of New Jersey Administrative Action

CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry (hereinafter "Board") upon receipt of a report from the Enforcement Bureau disclosing the results of a Board investigation concerning allegations that in violation of N.J.A.C. 13:30-2.3 Neisy Lara (hereinafter "respondent"), a licensed dental hygienist (License #HI04610) in the employ of Lawrence Wolfin, D.D.S., practiced dental hygiene unsupervised during periods that Dr. Wolfin was absent from the dental office. At the time in question, no other dentist practiced in Dr. Wolfin's office with the exception of a dentist (surgeon) who came to the office every four to six weeks. Specifically, a review of Dr. Wolfin's 1996 appointment book for the period of February 19, 1996 through February 26, 1996 reveals that although he was on vacation, his

dental hygienist saw thirteen patients on February 19, 1996, sixteen patients on February 20, 1996, nine patients on February 22, 1996, and thirteen patients on February 23, 1996. At the time in question, respondent was the only dental hygienist in the employ of Dr. Wolfin. The violation of N.J.A.C. 13:30-2.3 constitutes professional misconduct pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21.

The Board having reviewed and considered the entire record, and it appearing that the parties wish to resolve this matter without recourse to formal proceedings, and for good cause shown:

IT IS ON THIS 5th DAY OF JUNE 1997 HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

- 1. The license of Neisy Lara to practice dental hygiene in the State of New Jersey shall be and is hereby suspended for one year effective from the entry date of the within Consent Order. Thirty days of the suspension shall be active and the remainder of the suspension shall be stayed and constitute a period of probation. The active thirty day suspension shall commence on June 28, 1997.
- 2. Respondent is hereby assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00 for practicing dental hygiene unsupervised in violation of N.J.A.C. 13:30-2.3. Payment shall be made by certified check or money order made payable to the State of New Jersey and sent to Agnes Clarke, Executive Director, State Board of Dentistry, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, Newark, New Jersey 07102

no later that fourteen days from the entry of the within Consent Order.

3. Respondent is hereby reprimanded for violating N.J.A.C. 13:30-2.3 which constitutes professional misconduct pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21.

> NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

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I have read and understand the within Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the Board to enter this Order.